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TECHNIQUES FOR ILLUSTRATING AND ANALYSING COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS
VERFAHREN ZUR DARSTELLUNG UND ANALYSE VON AUSBILDUNGSSPARPLÄNEN
TECHNIQUES PERMETTANT D'ILLUSTRER ET D'ANALYSER DES PLANS D'EPARGNE AU
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Computerized method for illustrating and analyzing college savings plans, uses a database of education institution cost parameters, savings plan parameters and tax implications to provide comparative analysis of a variety of plans

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 529 tax bites

Pol yak, Ilana
Money v32n7 PP: 29 Jul 2003
ISSN: 0149-4953 JRNL CODE: MON
WORD COUNT: 175

TEXT: If you invest in an out-of-state 529 college savings plan, you may owe more in state taxes next year. In recent months, four states have announced that, in an effort to close budget gaps, they would tax residents who invest in out-of-state 529 plans. (Alabama, Arkansas and Pennsylvania, among others, already tax out-of-state withdrawals.) Tennessee plans to tax dividends and interest. And New York plans to punish residents who roll over New York State 529 assets to an out-of-state program with a capital-gains tax on any earnings. * Don't panic. For now, only a handful of states levy a tax, and Maine's assessment is in effect only through 2005. Keep in mind too that withdrawals would be taxed at the student beneficiary's lower rate, so the tax bite may be small. In short, the new taxes may not amount to much-especially compared with more important criteria like plan performance or high fees-when it comes to choosing a 529 savings plan, in-state or out.

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02452092 219734451
IRC section 529 plans: Deduction for New York residents
Metzger, Leon M
CPA Journal v72n10 PP: 67 Oct 2002
ISSN: 0732-8435 JRNL CODE: CPA
WORD COUNT: 881

...TEXT: be as low as 0.31%. New York residents participating in an out-of-state 529 plan, however, cannot receive a New York tax deduction. Thus, the question is: if a New York taxpayer's criteria for choosing between the New York and Utah plans are fees and state taxes, which should the taxpayer choose?

Unfortunately there is no clear-cut answer, but the factors...

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35210585 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
Advice On Finding the Right 529 Plan, CNNfn
SECTION TITLE: Business
Ali Velshi
CNNfn NEWS
April 26, 2004
JOURNAL CODE: WOFN LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 1374

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... of what those fees are. And that should play a factor in your choice of 529 plans. VELSHI: What's the benchmark that you use to determine how much the fee should...

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Q4 2003 Mothers Work Earnings Conference Call - Part 1
FAIR DISCLOSURE WRE

November 19, 2003

JOURNAL CODE: VFDW LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 4565

... will be marketed at our point of sale and will link to a college saving 529 plan. When used by our customer, she will receive 1% on every purchase made, not just...

... certain retail store and online partners. These rebates will automatically go into her baby's college savings plan. Just imagine the appeal of saving for baby's college funds while buying baby's... One moment. Our first question comes from Richard Baum, please state your company. RICHARD BAUM, ANALYST, CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON: Credit Suisse First Boston. Just a few questions here following up...

... Thank you. Our next question comes from Holly Guthrie, please state your company. HOLLY GUTHRIE, ANALYST, MORGAN KEEGAN: Morgan Keegan. Rebecca, the 80 to the 100 stores you plan to open...

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Event Brief of Q3 2003 The Principal Financial Group Earnings Conference Call - Part 1

FAIR DISCLOSURE WIRE

November 04, 2003

JOURNAL CODE: VFDW LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 4423

... delivered outstanding growth particularly in the light of higher security benefit cost of \$14m after tax or \$0.04 per share vs. 3Q02. 2. US Asset Management and Accumulation: 1. Assets...

... incentive plan. 1. However, the current qtr. had higher security benefits cost of \$3m after tax. 2. Excluding this item earnings would have improved by 21% which is more consistent with...

... 3Q03, new sale covered members increased the group insured medical and dental vision sequentially and compared to a year ago. 6. The decline in covered members for group insured medical and...

... in 3Q03. 2. The \$11m loss is broke up into three components: 1. \$20m after-tax loss from refinements to the co.'s valuation model. 2. \$3m gain after tax and hedging for mortgage servicing rates evaluation adjustment. 3. \$6m in earnings from... this change in reporting presentation. 10. Credit Quality and Fixed Maturity Securities Portfolio: 1. After-tax net realized capital gains of \$2m for 3Q03 reflect \$19m in losses from impairments and...

... downward its previously communicated expectations. 8. PFG now expects credit capital losses of \$120m after-tax for full year 2003. 11. Closing Comments: 1. Earnings continue to emerge as expected and...

9/3, K/6 (Item 4 from file: 20)

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Event Brief of Q4 2002 The Principal Financial Group Earnings Conference Call - Final - Part 1

FAIR DISCLOSURE WIRE

February 05, 2003

JOURNAL CODE: VFDW LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 4346

... a result of the sale of substantially all of BT, PFG recorded an estimated after-tax loss of \$197m in 2002. 5. Pursuant to SFAS 144, revenues and expenses, including corporate...

... partially offset by a servicing loss of \$91m 3. The servicing loss reflects an after-tax loss for mortgage servicing rights valuation adjustments, after hedging, of \$82m 4. PFG offset 94...

... impacted by a favorable resolution of an IRS audit issue. 2. The co. had after-tax net realized and unrealized capital losses of \$90m vs. net realized and unrealized capital losses...

... 2001. 4. Expects net realized credit capital losses for 2003 to be approx. \$170m after-tax weighted toward 1H03. QUESTION AND ANSWER SUMMARY Q1. Clearly, losses were higher than expected. Could you focus in on what were the gross impairments for the year, and how those compared to 2001, and what are you projecting for 2003? Could you provide us more details...

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25758828 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
Lincoln Financial Group Reports Third Quarter Earnings; Announces Settlement of Swiss Re Dispute
BUSINESS WIRE
October 29, 2002
JOURNAL CODE: VIVE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
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... K and other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission include additional risks and factors which could impact LNC's business and financial performance. Moreover, LNC operates in a rapidly changing and competitive environment. New risk factors emerge...

... possible for management to predict all such risk factors. Further, it is not possible to assess the impact of all risk factors on LNC's business or the extent to which...

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24852672 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
Indiana's College Savings Plan Posts Losses
Chris O'Malley
KRTBN KNIGHT-RIDDER TRIBUNE BUSINESS NEWS (INDIANAPOLIS STAR AND NEWS - INDIANA)
September 07, 2002
JOURNAL CODE: KISN LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 884

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... plans, performance of the plans' managers is fundamental -- even with the compelling tax benefits of 529 plans. "Tax exemption is only a factor if you're making money," he said.
Some local financial planners have steered clients to states such as Virginia and Rhode Island. Rhode Island plan...

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Lincoln Financial Group Reports Second Quarter Earnings; Company Reports
Record Gross Deposits and Net Cash Flows; Weak Stock Market has Negative
Impact On Earnings

BUSINESS WIRE

August 01, 2002

JOURNAL CODE: WBWE LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

WORD COUNT: 1791

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Commission include additional risks and factors which could impact LNC's

business and financial performance. Moreover, LNC operates in a rapidly
changing and competitive environment. New risk factors emerge...

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not possible to assess the impact of all risk factors on LNC's business
or the extent to which...

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16668185 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 110315207 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

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Taxation and Saving. (Conferences)

NBER Reporter, 26(3)

Fall, 2003

ISSN: 0276-119X LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 2266 LINE COUNT: 00186

... manages the 529 plans. Samwick analyzes the extent to which that
rent appears in the fee structure and performance characteristics of
mutual funds that are made available in 529 plans. While examples can
be found of poor offerings in 529 plans, the general result is that
mutual fund companies do not systematically offer higher fee, lower...

9/3, K/11 (Item 2 from file: 148)

DI ALCO (R) File 148: Gale Group Trade & Industry DB

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15282533 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 93801123 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

IRC section 529 plans: deduction for New York residents. (Personal

Financial Planning).

Metzger, Leon M

CPA Journal, 72, 10, 67(1)

Oct, 2002

ISSN: 0732-8435 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 898 LINE COUNT: 00071

... a New York tax deduction. Thus, the question is: If a New York
taxpayer's criteria for choosing between the New York and Utah plans are
fees and state taxes, which should the taxpayer choose?

Unfortunately there is no clear-cut answer, but the factors...

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14887574 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 90536348 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Banking on a 529 plan: with minimal expense, employers can offer workers a
tax-advantaged savings plan for education expenses.

(Benefits). (Statistical Data Included)

Pethokoukis, James

HRMagazine, 47, 8, 56(5)

August, 2002

DOCUMENT TYPE: Statistical Data Included ISSN: 1047-3149

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 2111 LINE COUNT: 00167

... available to out-of-state participants. Although earnings in 529 plans are free of federal taxes, they are not necessarily free of state taxes. When comparing various states' plans, "forget all the other bells and whistles" and look closely at state taxes, says Larry Glazer, a 529 plan consultant with the Boston-based H.C. Wainwright & Co. investment firm

Consider the experience of...

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Market Place

Editorial Staff

Financial Planning

October 1, 2002 DOCUMENT TYPE: NEWSLETTER

PUBLISHER: SEQUI TIES DATA PUBLISHING

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

WORD COUNT: 1620

RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT

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TEXT:

...and seeks a high level of current income exempt from federal and California personal income taxes. The latter is managed by Mark Sommer and seeks a high level of current income exempt from federal and New York state and city income taxes. The company has also introduced the Advisor Investment Grade Bond Fund. It is managed by...fund of funds, for the range of aggressive to conservative investors. Clients can make 12 tax-free transfers among investment choices per year.

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...Asset Class Illustrator, an online research tool financial advisers can use to view a historical analysis of how an index (or hypothetical portfolio of up to 15 indexes) would have behaved...

... GIFT FROM THE IRS

The IRS Web site is offering a basic estate and gift tax primer plus an overview of recent tax law changes. Topics covered include increased estate and gift tax applicable exclusion amounts, the reduction of the maximum estate and gift tax rate and the increased annual exclusion for gifts. The site also contains a frequently asked questions area and a page where some of the common estate and gift tax forms can be downloaded.

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529 plans require employer due diligence

Arman Roustae

Employee Benefit News

August 1, 2002

DOCUMENT TYPE: NEWSLETTER

PUBLISHER: SECURITIES DATA PUBLISHING

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

WORD COUNT: 920

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TEXT:

While **529 plans** represent a major savings opportunity for families and a benefits tool for employers, there seems to be more misinformation and confusion than clear guidelines on how to initiate an **Education Savings Plan**. If you are a benefits director, compensation **analyst**, or senior executive at a multi-state corporation and you are looking to bolster your...

...Prior to scrutinizing fund managers and what they have to offer, a company must first **assess** its own employee demographics. A good starting point would be having a spreadsheet with the...

...place, you are ready for step two, which is to gather data on all relevant **529 plans** (i.e., plans within each state in which the company has employees). Since every state...

...states. Key questions to answer in this step include:

- * Does the plan offer residents state tax deductions on contributions, and if so, what are the deduction ranges?
- * Are earnings in the plan subject to state taxes upon withdrawal?
- * What are the contribution limits (minimum and maximum)?
- * What types of sales fees...

...or penalty fees for switching out of the plans, and if so, how are they assessed?

- * What are the historical investment returns of various investment options and on overall plan assets...

...program manager and what are the general terms of their contracts with the states whose **529 plans** they manage?

- * Are there other miscellaneous benefits offered to state residents and/or non-residents...

...state and nationwide.

The only notable and immediately measurable differences amongst the plans are the tax benefits and the plan fees (pay close attention to both sales and fund expenses). The...

...of dollars in different asset values over long periods of time. Most

important to remember, tax benefits translate to guaranteed money, projected investment returns do not. Hence, investors should always be wary of investing in a 529 plan that does not offer comparable tax benefits to their own state plan.

If these last few sentences were confusing to you, then you should speak with a financial advisor or take some time to comprehend investment terminology and how various factors, such as tax-advantaged funds, impact financial planning.

Moreover, the key challenge for employers in evaluating this complex yet promising new savings vehicle is in measuring the trade-offs between aligning with just one 529 plan and offering multiple 529 plans.

Clearly, the multiple plan approach benefits employees, by giving them a choice and making sure that they at least evaluate their own state's 529 plan as part of their diligence process. Many companies that only endorse one 529 plan have tried to escape this fiduciary responsibility by putting out short memos that encourage employees to evaluate their own state's 529 plan prior to signing on with the company-endorsed plan - this is a shoddy approach.

Employees...

...been both confused and angered by companies' lack of diligence, which has resulted in missed tax-savings opportunities and reduced account values. If nothing else, employees would appreciate basic investor education...

...deal with this process or work with an independent, objective financial advisor to devise a 529 plan strategy.

The result of not doing so may be the loss of millions in college...

...issues.

As the "war for talent" continues, it is evident that companies ought to leverage 529 plans as a key element within their benefits programs - so decision-makers should not ponder if they should implement an Education Savings Plan but rather when and how.

For more information on this topic, visit the 401kid Advisors...

...business experience in technology companies. 401kid is an education-focused financial services company geared towards Education Savings Plans (ESP) and Youth Money Management.

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Getting smart about saving for education Investing for children / Not kid stuff

Barbara Wall

International Herald Tribune, p13

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...open an account.

Dan McNeela, a funds analyst at Morningstar Inc., tracks the performance of 529 plans. "Many of the options geared to fixed income have done well recently, but this does..."

...at what is available in their own state first, as there may be additional state tax deductions for plan contributions. Investors should then consider the quality of funds available."

A real sticking point with 529 plans is cost. Some plans have become unacceptably expensive due to the added bureaucracy involved in running the...

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Nightly Business Report
Paul Kangas, Susie Gharib
Nightly Business Report
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...the most popular are qualified state tuition plans, better known as: prepaid tuition and Section 529 plans. One expert on these plans is CPA Joseph Hurley. Aside from the tax breaks they offer, I asked Joe why he thinks these plans are worthwhile for many...

...you are trying to save for. KANGAS: Joe, I understand there are two types of 529 plans: prepaid tuition plans and savings plans. How do they differ? HURLEY: The prepaid tuition plans represent pretty much the old guard of 529 plans. Those work a lot like tuition future contracts where you would purchase a bundle of... what the savings plans offer. KANGAS: Yes, I bet many people think that the Section 529 plans are only available to residents of the sponsoring state; but aren't some open to...

...s best for you. KANGAS: All right. So there are a big differences between Section 529 plans. And what should a parent or grandparent consider in deciding which one to put money...

...your own money if you had to do that. KANGAS: Joe Hurley added that the 529 plans actually offer several different tax breaks, including deferred taxes on earnings, having the taxes taken at the student's lower tax bracket, and, in many cases, a break on state taxes as well. GHARIB: And if you would like to get more information about Section 529 plans, the college selection process, or any of the other subjects that we've discussed on...

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TEXT:

...implementation clause for rule 701- 42.15(422) as follows:
In the case of commercial property, rehabilitation costs must equal at least 50 percent of the assessed value of the property, excluding the value of the land, prior to rehabilitation. In the case of residential property or barns, the rehabilitation costs must equal at least \$25,000 or 25 percent of the fair market value, excluding...

...value of the land, prior to the rehabilitation, whichever amount is less. In computing the tax credit for eligible property that is classified as residential or as commercial with multifamily residential...
...the rehabilitation costs are not to exceed \$100,000 per residential unit. In computing the tax credit, the only costs which may be included are the rehabilitation

costs incurred between the...

...implementation clause for rule 701- 52.18(422) as follows:

In the case of commercial **property**, rehabilitation **costs** must equal at least 50 percent of the **assessed** value of the **property**, excluding the value of the land, prior to rehabilitation. In the case of residential **property** or barns, the rehabilitation **costs** must equal at least \$25,000

or 25 percent of the fair market value, excluding...

...value of the land,

prior to the rehabilitation, whichever amount is less. In computing the **tax** credit for eligible property that is classified as residential or as commercial with multifamily residential...

...the rehabilitation costs

are not to exceed \$100,000 per residential unit. In computing the **tax** credit, the only costs which may be included are the rehabilitation costs incurred between the...

...gifts, grants, or donations<D> for contributions made to the endowment fund of the Iowa **educational savings plan** trust. [D>For **tax** years ending on or after July 1, 1998, to<D> To the extent that the contribution was not deductible for federal income **tax** purposes, any gift, grant, or donation to the endowment fund of the Iowa **educational savings plan** trust [D>made on or after that date has not been deducted in computing federal **taxable** income, the amount<D> may be deducted for Iowa income **tax** purposes. The contribution must be made on or after July 1, 1998, but before April...

...701-58.7(422), introductory paragraph, as follows:

701-58.7(422) Allocation of franchise **tax** revenues. [D>Each<D> For fiscal years prior to July 1, 2004, each quarterly distribution shall be made up of the **tax** shown due on the franchise **tax** returns received during that quarter, net of all refunds of franchise **tax** established during that quarter. In determining the portion of franchise **tax** revenues to be distributed to cities and counties for fiscal years prior to July 1...

...is required to submit the appropriate allocation data

with the filing of its Iowa franchise **tax** return. Each financial institution shall accumulate or maintain data to properly determine the business activity...

...as follows:

701-59.21(422) S corporation and limited liability company financial institutions. For **tax** years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, a financial institution as defined in Section...

...an amount of income as if the financial

institution were subject to federal corporation income **tax**. For **tax** years beginning on or after July 1, 2004, a financial institution organized as a limited liability company under Iowa Code chapter 524 that is **taxed** as a partnership for federal income **tax** purposes must compute an amount of income as if the financial institution were subject to federal corporation income **tax**. The income is to be computed in the same manner as a financial institution that is subject to or liable for federal income **tax** under the Internal Revenue Code in effect for the applicable **tax** would compute its federal **taxable** income. This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.61 as amended by...

...gifts, grants, or donations<D> for

contributions made to the endowment fund of the Iowa **educational savings plan** trust. [D>For **tax** years ending on or after July 1, 1998, to<D> To the extent that [D>for<D> the contribution was not deductible for federal income **tax** purposes, any gift, grant, or donation to the endowment fund of the Iowa **educational savings plan** trust [D>made on or after that date has not been deducted in computing federal **taxable**

income, the amount<D may be deducted for Iowa franchise tax purposes.
The contribution must be made on or after July 1, 1998, but before April...

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Who benefits from the education saving incentives? Income, educational expectations and the value of the 529 and Coverdell.(Coverdell Education Savings Accounts)

Dynarski, Susan

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...of rising tuition prices. (2) Michigan exempted investment returns in its prepaid plan from state taxes, and argued to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that returns should also be exempted from federal taxes. The IRS disagreed, but Michigan went forward with the plan and sued the IRS for a refund of taxes paid, winning its case in 1994. While the Michigan case was winding through the courts...

...tuition plans.

In 1997, Congress codified the federal tax treatment of the tuition plans in Internal Revenue Code Section 529. IRC 529 also contains language that recognized a variant on the prepaid plans that had been introduced by a handful of states: the tax-advantaged college savings plan. Like the ESA, these new savings plans allowed after-tax investments to grow free of federal and state taxes; however, withdrawals used for postsecondary costs were exempt only from state taxation. With the passage of tax reform in 2001, the federal tax on withdrawals from 529 savings plans was eliminated. (3) States that did not already have a savings plan quickly established one. As of summer 2003, every state except Washington had a 529 savings plan, as does the District of Columbia. The growth of the 529 savings plans has far outstripped that of the prepaid plans, likely because of their greater fungibility and potentially higher returns. In this paper, I focus on the 529 savings plans.

Eligibility for and Tax Advantages of the 529 and ESA

The tax treatments of the...

...state has a lifetime limit, periodically adjusted, on contributions that can be made to its 529 plan in the name of a beneficiary. This limit currently averages \$241,000 and ranges from...

...local plan by allowing them to deduct contributions to its 529 savings plan from state taxable income. Each state contracts with a mutual fund company to run its plan, chooses the...

...to investors, decides upon the treatment of deposits and earnings for the purposes of state taxation, and negotiates fees that will be paid by the investor to the state and fund...

...driven not only by the fact that some states allow the deduction of contributions from taxable income, but by differences in state marginal tax rates and the fees charged by the states for 529 accounts. In ongoing work, I...

...this is a case in which high fees in a 529 more than erase its tax advantages. Many Wyoming residents would yield higher returns in a non-advantaged account with lower...

...information on 529 savings plans. However, the 2001 SCF predates the

recent expansion of the tax advantages of the 529 and ESA and resulting surge in account volume. At the start of 2001, about twenty states did not even have a 529 savings plan in place, while today every state but Washington has established one. As a result, much of the growth in 529 savings plan accounts occurred after the 2001 SCF was administered. >From the end of 2000 to the end of 2002, the number of 529 savings plan accounts grew from half a million to 3.1 million. Over the same period, assets...

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(Part 1 of 2) Year Ended December 31, 2003, Results
Market News Publishing Canada
Wednesday, April 14, 2004
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Newswire
WORD COUNT: 7,867

...the Trust Units will cease to be qualified investments for registered retirement savings plans, registered education savings plans, deferred profit sharing plans and registered retirement income funds. Regulatory Matters The Corporation's operations...

...gas assets are subjected to an impairment test. The reserve estimates are also used to assess the borrowing base for the Trust's credit facilities. Revision or changes in the reserve...

...increased and a liability set up for the amount calculated under the new standard. The comparative numbers for 2003 will be restated to reflect the new standard. Hedging Relationships Effective for...

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Advantage Announces Year Ended December 31, 2003 - Results and Reserve Information
Canada Newswire English
Tuesday, April 13, 2004
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...the Trust Units will cease to be qualified investments for registered retirement savings plans, registered education savings plans, deferred profit sharing plans and registered retirement income funds. Regulatory Matters The Corporation's operations...

...gas assets are subjected to an impairment test. The reserve estimates are also used to assess the borrowing base for the Trust's credit facilities. Revision or changes in the reserve

...increased and a liability set up for the amount calculated under the new standard. The comparative numbers for 2003 will be restated to reflect the new standard. Hedging Relationships Effective for...

...based

investments.

- An active, but extremely competitive market for the acquisition of oil and gas properties.
- A structural advantage for income trusts and a lower cost of capital when competing with E & P companies for these acquisitions.

With the continued strength...

...and before hedging. Advantage is considerably more sensitive to changes in natural gas prices as compared to oil due to the Fund's higher natural gas weighting.

Sensitivities	Annual Cash...	Annual
...that cash flow from operations and cash available for distribution are useful supplemental measures to analyse operating performance and provide an indication of the results generated by the Trust's principal...		
...prior to the consideration of how those activities are financed or how the results are taxed. Investors should be cautioned, however, that these measures should not be construed as an alternative...		
...note 6)	2,043	-
Provision for future site restoration		8,451
5,396		
Future income taxes (note 8)		77,418
77,064		
---		252,612
227,796		

Unitholders' equity		
Unitholders' capital (note...depreciation and site restoration		
53,822	41,074	
---		110,305
83,861		

Income (loss) before taxes		27,279
(3,368)		
Future income tax recovery (note 8)		(18,138)
(15,992)		
Income and capital taxes (note 8)		1,253
529		
---		(16,885)
(15,463)		

Net income		44,164
12,095...		
...deduct) items not requiring cash:		
Non-cash performance incentive		19,592
16,475		
Future income taxes		(18,138)
(15,992)		
Depletion, depreciation and site restoration		53,822

 Funds from ..

... of year	\$	-	\$	-
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Supplementary cash flow information				
	Interest paid	\$	6,414	\$
4,560	Income and capital taxes paid	\$	858	\$
1,104				

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
 December 31, 2003

All tabular amounts...

...intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.
 Property and equipment
 (a) Petroleum and natural gas **properties** and related equipment
 The Fund follows the full **cost** method of accounting in accordance with the guideline issued by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.
 ...
 ...acquisition, drilling, geological and geophysical costs and overhead expenses related to exploration and development activities. **Costs** of acquiring and evaluating unproved **properties** are excluded from depletion calculations until it is determined whether or not proven reserves are...
 ...impairment occurs.
 and Gains or losses are not recognized upon disposition of petroleum and natural gas **properties** unless crediting the proceeds against accumulated **costs** would result in a change in the rate of depletion of 20% or more.
 depreciation of Depletion of petroleum and natural gas **properties** and lease and well equipment is provided on accumulated **costs** using the unit of production method based on estimated proved petroleum and natural gas reserves...
 ...oil or liquids being equal to six mcf of natural gas.
 capitalized The depletion and depreciation **cost** base includes total **costs**, less **costs** of unproved **properties**, plus a provision for future development **costs** of proven undeveloped reserves.
 ...This amount is the aggregate of estimated future net revenues from proved reserves and the **costs** of unproved **properties**, net of impairment allowances, less future estimated production **costs**, general and administrative **costs**, financing costs, site restoration and abandonment costs, and income **taxes**. Future net revenues are estimated using prices and costs without escalation or discounting, and the income **tax** and Alberta Royalty Credit legislation in effect at the year-end.
 (b) Furniture and equipment...
 ...accumulated provision account as incurred.

Measurement uncertainty
 and The amounts recorded for depletion and depreciation of **property**
 are equipment and the provision for future site restoration **costs**
 based on estimates. The ceiling test calculation is based on
 ...accrual estimates of proved reserves...
 basis and are paid to
 Unitholders monthly based on cash available for distributions.
 Income **taxes**
 Any The Fund is a **taxable** trust under the Income **Tax** Act (Canada).
taxable income is allocated to the Unitholders and therefore no
 these provision for income **taxes** relating to the Fund is included in
 financial statements.
 income The Corporation follows the liability method of accounting for
taxes. Under this method future **tax** assets and liabilities are
 determined based on differences between financial reporting and
 using income **tax** bases of assets and liabilities, and are measured
 the substantially enacted **tax** rates and laws expected to apply when
 liabilities differences reverse. The effect on future **tax** assets and
 period in of a change in **tax** rates is recognized in net income in the
 ...fair value of which the change is substantially...
 identifiable assets and liabilities acquired. Goodwill is not
 31, amortized. Goodwill impairment is **assessed** annually at December
 the or as economic events dictate, by **comparing** the fair value of
 reporting unit to its carrying value, including goodwill. If the
 ...

Net working capital	(14,027)	costs	
Capital lease obligation	(2,054)	incurred	
256			
Future income taxes	(18,492)		

97,025	Future site restoration	(1,748)	\$

			\$ 97,025

(ii) Best Pacific Resources...

...acquired	and liabilities assumed:		Consideration:	
	Property and equipment	\$ 46,852	Cash	\$
51,849				
	Future income taxes	7,737	Acquisition	
	Net working capital	212	costs	
	Future site restoration	(1,353)	incurred	1...
...acquired	and liabilities assumed:		Consideration:	
	Property and equipment	\$ 108,592	Cash	\$
69,000				
	Future income taxes	(37,893)	Acquisition	
		-----	costs	
		\$ 70,699	incurred	
1,699				

\$

4. FIXED ASSETS
During...

...directly related to
exploration and development activities of \$1,804,000
(2002 - \$1,319,000).
Costs of \$22,300,000 (2002 - \$18,010,000) for unproven

properties have been excluded from the calculation of depletion expense, and
future development costs of \$43,152,000 (2002 - \$10,030,000)

have been included in costs subject to...152 and 27,829,645
respectively for the year ending
December 31, 2002.

8. INCOME TAXES

The taxable income of the Fund is comprised of interest income
related to the ACG Notes and royalty income from the ACG Royalty
less deductions for Canadian Oil and Gas Property Expense (COGPE) and
unit issue costs.
The provision for income taxes varies from the amount that would
be computed by applying the combined Canadian federal and provincial
income tax rates for the following reasons:

		For the year ended Dec. 31, 2003	For the year ended Dec. 31, 2002
---	Income (loss) before taxes	\$ 27,279	\$
(3,368)	Expected income tax expense (recovery) at statutory rates	11,131	
(1,424)	Increase (decrease) in income taxes resulting from Non-deductible Crown charges	7,029	
6,044	Resource allowance	(8,798)	
(6,458)	Amounts included in trust income and other	(27,500)	
(14,154)	Future income tax recovery	(18,138)	
(15,992)	Income and capital taxes	1,253	
529			
---		\$ (16,885)	\$
(15,463)			

The components of the future income tax liability at December 31
are as follows:

2003 2002

80,402	Property and equipment in excess of tax basis	\$ 88,236	\$
(1,711)	Future site restoration deductions	(2,872)	
(1,877)	Non-capital tax loss carry forward	(8,327)	
250	Other	381	

77,064	Future income tax liability	\$ 77,418	\$

The Fund has non-capital tax loss carry forward of approximately \$21.0 million of which \$0.3 million expires in...			

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...information, as defined in (section) 2.2-3801, provided to the Board of the Virginia **College Savings Plan** or its employees by or on behalf of individuals who have requested information about, applied...

...section) 3.1-622 and

3.1-624.

71. Records of the Department of Environmental **Quality**, the State Water Control **Board**, State Air Pollution Control **Board** or the Virginia Waste Management Board relating to (i) active federal environmental enforcement actions that...

...service.

76. Records of the State Lottery Department pertaining to (i) the social security number, **tax** identification number, state sales **tax** number, home address and telephone number, personal and lottery banking account and transit numbers of...

...action by

the Board for a positive test result.

85. Security plans and specific vulnerability **assessment** components of school safety audits, as provided in (section) 22.1-279.8. Nothing in...

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 STATE-SPONSORED, TAX-ADVANTAGED COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS: A STUDY OF THEIR
 IMPACT ON CONTEMPORARY UNDERSTANDING OF THE PUBLIC-VERSUS-PRIVATE
 RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ISSUE

Author: ROTH, ANDREW PAUL
 Degree: PH.D.
 Year: 1999
 Corporate Source/Institution: STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT BUFFALO (0656)
 Source: VOLUME 60/ 05- A OF DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS INTERNATIONAL.
 PAGE 1479. 376 PAGES

...by the question, "Does the growth of prepaid tuition and state-sponsored, tax-advantaged college savings plans indicate a shift in public policy to a greater private (i.e., parent and student...

...public (i.e, taxpayer and government) responsibility for paying for higher education", this study assessed the shifting landscape of public policy regarding higher education finance. A literature review of the...

...bold italic> to pay for higher education debate, and the concept of state-sponsored, tax-advantaged college savings plans was completed. Next, employing finance and investment theory, the types of tax-advantaged college savings plans were identified and defined. Secondly, the origin and growth of tax-advantaged college savings plans was detailed and a national taxonomy of all current plans was constructed. This included a...

...s cumulative policy position regarding the guiding question. Next, the states's program provisions were analyzed to determine what they actually do (as opposed to what the states say they do...

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**A FEASIBILITY STUDY OF COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS AND TUITION PREPAYMENT PLANS
FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

Author: PRATHER, THOMAS EDDIE

Degree: PH.D.

Year: 1990

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Source: VOLUME 51/06-A OF DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS INTERNATIONAL.

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...to determine relationships of profession and type of institution where employed with critical issues concerning college - saving plans and tuition-prepayment plans. The chi-square analyses indicated that profession and type of institution where employed was significantly related in three out...

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AVOIDING FEE PITFALLS AS COLLEGE SAVINGS CLIMB

O Shaughnessy, Lynn

New York Times, Col. 2, Pg. 8, Sec. 3

Sunday July 13 2003

ABSTRACT:

Experts caution that fees incurred in starting and maintaining state-sponsored 529 education savings plans may negate some of tax savings for which plans were established; fee structures vary by state and investment choice, and thus may be difficult to determine; Morningstar analyst Langdon Healy says that annual expense ratio should be not exceed 1 percent; photo (M)

CORRECTION:

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NEW STATE GUIDES HELP INVESTORS COMPARE '529'S'

CHIU, KATHY (BYLINER)

Wall Street Journal, Col. 4, Pg. 2, Sec. D

Thursday December 16 2004

ABSTRACT:

New state-sponsored guidelines should begin making it easier for investors to compare popular 529 college - savings plans, but understanding these complex investment vehicles remains a challenge; the guidelines, released by College Savings Plans Network, outline how fees and features in 529 plans should be broken out for investors (M)

CORRECTION:

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HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS GAIN MOMENTUM

STORY, LOUISE (BYLINER)

Wall Street Journal, Col. 1, Pg. 2, Sec. D

Thursday September 9 2004

ABSTRACT:

...high-deductible health policies that people must have to open an HSA; the accounts combine characteristics of IRAs, 529 plans and 401(k)s; chart (L)

CORRECTION:

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Wall Street Journal, Col. 4, Pg. 9, Sec. D
Tuesday June 15 2004

ABSTRACT:

States plan to finalize disclosure guidelines on 529 college - savings plans by year's end in hopes of keeping federal regulators at bay; the voluntary guidelines could make it easier for investors to compare 529 plans (M)

CORRECTION:

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TECHNIQUES FOR ILLUSTRATING AND ANALYZING COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS

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Claims

Detailed Description

Techniques for Illustrating and
Analyzing College Savings Plans

1. Field of the Invention

The invention relates to machine-executable techniques for performing
financial calculations directed to college saving plans.

2. Background Art

With the ever-increasing costs of tuition, room and board, many families

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...educational purposes, the earnings portion is taxed as ordinary income,
and a 10% penalty is assessed.

It is possible to combine a ' 529 plan with a UGMA/UTMA transfer, so
as

to enable a client to benefit from...of numerical comparison between
different college funding alternatives.

In view of the foregoing web site analysis, there is a need for a
college funding calculator that considers the tax implications of each of
a plurality of college saving plans. There is also a need for a
calculator that provides a comparative analysis for these saving
plans, so as to enable an investor to select a plan or...

...or her needs.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Novel computerized methods are described for illustrating and analyzing
educational saving plans by considering the tax implications of
these plans. The

method is for use with a...received identifiers, retrieving the
corresponding set of cost parameters from the computer-readable medium A
comparative analysis of a 15 plurality of educational savings
plans is generated by applying each retrieved set
of cost parameters to each of the educational plan parameter sets. This
comparative analysis takes into consideration the tax implications of
a plurality of educational savings plan. The results of the
comparative analysis are outputted on a display and/or printout so
that an investor can determine which of the plurality of educational
savings plans best meets his or her needs.

Pursuant to a further embodiment of the invention, the...

...and board for each of a plurality of educational institutions across the

United States. The educational savings plans include at least one IRC (Internal Revenue Code) Section 529 Plan .

Optionally, the analysis implements a comparison of a specific asset allocation, and/or use of the Section 529 Plan asset allocation applied to all assets, so as to receive a comparison based upon tax advantages only. Moreover, the analysis may optionally consider a blended and/or progressive asset allocation based upon the age of...

...or lump sum savings needed for each of the plurality of saving plans. This graphical comparison considers the tax implications of the saving plans. When selecting a saving plan that is a combination of various investment vehicles as, for example, 10 a Section 529 Plan , a UGMA/TJTM A Plan, and an Education IRA, the graphical comparison displays the most advantageous annual breakdown for saving money.

A fu-tu-ther optional feature permits...

...or estimated;

FIG 30 is a display screen capture that shows the results of the educational savings plan analysis generated by the output mechanism pursuant to a preferred embodiment of the...

...32 is a display screen capture that shows a comparison among a plurality of different educational savings plans , taking into account additional lump sum savings;

FIG 33 is a display screen capture showing the results of the educational savings plan analysis ' in the form of a year-by-year table that displays the funds invested in the investor's assets, UGMA plan assets, 529 plan assets, and Educational IRA assets;

FIG 34 is a display screen capture that provides explanatory information to the investor about the results of the educational savings plan analysis ; FIGs. 35 and 36 together comprise a flowchart setting forth an operational sequence for performing educational savings plan accumulation and withdrawal

calculations according to a preferred embodiment of the invention;

FIGs. 3 7...200, a corresponding set of cost parameters is retrieved from the computer-readable medium A comparative analysis of a

plurality of educational savings plans is generated by applying each retrieved set of cost parameters to each of the educational savings plan parameter sets (block 203). This comparative analysis takes into consideration the tax implications of a plurality of educational savings plan . The actual process of applying the retrieved cost parameters to the educational savings plan parameter sets is described in greater detail with reference to blocks 204-21 1. At ...

...fund each of the educational expense goals is calculated, using each of the plurality of college savings plans . After the comparative analysis of blocks 204-211 is complete, the results of the analysis are outputted on a display and/or printout so that an investor can determine which of the plurality of

educational savings plans best meets his or her needs (block 213). This

comparative analysis may, but need not, be provided in the form of a table or graphical object that shows annual and/or periodic savings breakdowns for each of the plurality of educational savings plans .

Pursuant to a further embodiment of the invention, the educational institution identifiers stored on the...

...and board for each of a plurality of educational institutions across the United States.

The educational savings plans include at least one IRC (Internal

Revenue Code)

Section 529 Plan. The comparative analysis optionally provides for a

comparison of a specific asset allocation, and/or use of the Section 529 Plan asset allocation applied to all assets, so as to receive a comparison based upon tax 10 advantages only. Moreover, the analysis may optionally be adapted to provide a blended and/or progressive asset allocation based upon...

...sum savings needed for each of 15 the plurality of saving plans. This graphical comparison considers the tax implications of the saving plans. When selecting a saving plan that is a combination of various investment vehicles as, for example, a Section 529 Plan, a UGMA/UTMA Plan, and an Education IRA, the graphical comparison displays the most advantageous annual breakdown for saving money. A twofold optional feature is operable...are 2%

FIG. 30 is a display screen capture that shows the results of the educational savings plan analysis generated by the output mechanism pursuant to a preferred embodiment of the invention. The graphical...

...are eventually depleted.

10 FIG. 31 is a display screen capture that shows a comparison among a plurality of different educational savings plans, with reference to the accumulation of additional monthly savings. In this example, to accumulate sufficient...

...127 per month under a UGMA, 15 plan, \$149 per month under a Section 529 Plan, and \$132 per month if a combination of a Section 529 Plan and a UGMA is used.

FIG. 32 is a display screen capture that shows a comparison among a plurality of different educational savings plans, taking into account additional lump sum savings. If the investor placed assets into "personal" accounts...

...account, this amount would be reduced to \$12,561. For a Section 529 Plan, the amount is \$15,055, and for a UGMA/ Section 529 Plan combination, the amount is \$12,561.

FIG. 33 is a display screen capture showing the results of the educational savings plan analysis in the form of a year-by-year table that displays the investor's assets, UGMA plan assets, 529 plan assets, and Educational IRA assets. Savings details are provided in tabular form comparing assets in each of these plans on a year-by-year basis.

FIG. 34 is...

...screen capture that provides explanatory textual information to the investor about the results of the educational savings plan analysis.

FIG. 35 is a flowchart setting forth an operational sequence for performing educational savings plan accumulation and withdrawal calculations according to a preferred embodiment of the invention. The sequence commences...

...2008 does not need to be performed during 2008, unless the user requests a projected analysis at that time.

FIG. 36 is a flowchart setting forth an operational sequence for determining an educational savings plan solution according to a preferred embodiment of the invention. This procedure may be referred to...

Claim

1 A computerized method for illustrating and analyzing college savings plans, the method for use with a computer-readable medium on which are stored a plurality of educational institution identifiers and a plurality of educational savings plan parameter sets, each of respective educational institution identifiers being associated with a corresponding cost parameter...

...a), retrieving the corresponding cost parameter set from the computer-readable medium

c. generating a comparative analysis of a plurality of educational savings plans by applying each of the retrieved cost...

...computerized method of claim 2 wherein the step of generating a comparative analysis further includes comparing each of a plurality of educational savings plans with reference to one or more specific asset allocations.

4 The computerized method of claim 2 wherein the step of generating a comparative analysis further includes applying a Section 529 Plan asset allocation to all assets, so as to provide a comparison based upon tax considerations.

5 A system for illustrating and analyzing college savings plans, the system comprising:

(a) a computer-readable medium on which are stored a plurality of educational institution identifiers and a plurality of educational savings plan parameter sets, each of respective educational institution identifiers being associated with a corresponding cost parameter...

...medium in response to the input

mechanism receiving an educational institution identifier; and
d. a comparative analysis generation mechanism for generating a comparative analysis of a plurality of educational savings plans...

...educational savings plans.

6 The system of claim 5 wherein at least one of the educational savings plans is a Section 529 Plan developed pursuant to Section 529 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

7 The system of claim 5 wherein the comparative analysis generation mechanism compares each of a plurality of educational savings plans with reference to one or more specific asset allocations.

8 The system of claim 5 wherein the comparative analysis generation mechanism further includes applying a Section 529 Plan asset allocation to all assets, so as to provide a comparison based upon tax considerations.

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Computerized method for illustrating and analyzing college savings plans, uses a database of education institution cost parameters, savings plan parameters and tax implications to provide comparative analysis of

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... TECHNIQUES FOR ILLUSTRATING AND ANALYZING COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS

Alerting Abstract ...with associated costs for tuition, board, etc., and also parameter sets for a variety of educational savings plans. A potential investor at a user system (115,117) can specify an education institution identifier and will subsequently receive a comparative analysis of the savings plans with respect to the educational institution costs, taking into account tax...

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a system for illustrating and analyzing college savings plans.

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...USE - For illustrating and analyzing college savings plans, so that an investor can determine which of a plurality of plans best meets his

...

...ADVANTAGE - By providing a comparative analysis of a number of educational savings plans and also tax implications in respect of an educational institution costs, the method enables an...

...is a hardware block diagram illustrating an operational environment for a method of illustrating and analyzing college savings plans.

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Novel computerized methods are described for illustrating and analyzing educational saving plans by considering the tax implications of these plans. The method is for use with a computer-readable medium on...

...plan parameter sets specifies one or more characteristics of a corresponding educational savings plan. The method includes the steps of receiving at least one educational institution identifier and, for each of

...

...parameter sets. This comparative analysis takes into consideration the tax implications of a plurality of educational savings plans. The results of the comparative analysis are outputted on a display and/or printout so that an investor can determine which of the plurality of educational savings plans best meets his or her needs.

Claims:

We claim 1. A computerized method for illustrating and analyzing college savings plans, the method for use with a computer-readable medium on which are stored a plurality of educational institution identifiers and a plurality of educational savings plan parameter sets, each of respective educational institution identifiers being associated with a corresponding cost parameter set specifying at least one of room board, and...

...a), retrieving the corresponding cost parameter set from the computer-readable medium c. generating a comparative analysis of a plurality of educational savings plans by applying each of the retrieved cost parameter sets of step (b) to each of the plurality of educational savings plan parameters; wherein the comparative analysis takes into account one or more taxation implications for at least one of the educational savings plans.